SUPPORT FOR THE AMENDMENT

Support for the amendment to claim 1 is found in claims 18 and 19 as presently presented. No new matter would be added to this application by entry of this amendment.

Upon entry of the amendment, claims 1-25 will remain active in this application.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

The claimed invention is directed to acidic oil-in-water type emulsified composition.

Applicants wish to thank examiner Paden for indicating that claims 18 and 19 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicants have now amended claim 1 to include all of the limitations of claims 18 and 19, which depend on claim 1, reciting both sources of water-soluble soybean polysaccharide. As claims 18 and 19 have been found to be allowable, claim 1, which now contains the limitations of both claims 18 and 19 is also allowable. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of original claims 1-17 and 20-25 in one or more continuation applications.

The rejections of original claims 1-17 and 20-25 as believed to be moot as applicants have now rewritten claim 1 to include the limitations of allowable claims 18 and 19.

Applicants submit that this application is now in condition for allowance and early notification of such action is earnestly solicited.

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